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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Briefing of Intelligence Subcommittee of House Armed Services Committee on Recent Developments and on the Indochina Situation

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1. Today [REDACTED] and I met with Chairman Lucien Nedzi, Representative Melvin Price and Counsel Frank Slatinshek in response to the Chairman's request for a briefing on Indochina and other significant recent developments. I began with a brief rundown of recent developments since the Director's briefing of the full Committee on 8 February. I covered the new Soviet delta wing bomber, Soviet experimenting with VTOL aircraft for shipborne operations, evidence of Soviet BW activity, modification of the Y-class submarine to accommodate the SS-NX-8 missile, testing of star sensor for use on the SS-NX-8 missiles, and indications that the SS-11 Mod-3 may be deployed in the new smaller reinforced silos.

2. Mr. Nedzi's questions included the following:

a. Status of the U.S. BW program, which I said according to public statements was apparently being phased out.

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c. Effect of the modifications of the Y-class submarines on their performance and stability, which we said was too soon to tell.

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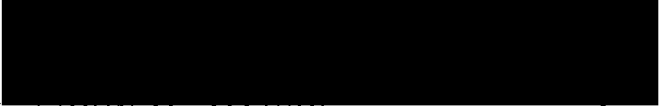
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d. CEP of the SS-NX-8 which I said we would look into.

e. Weight, range and performance of the new delta wing jet, which I said we had still not determined.

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